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January 11, 1999

In Reply Refer To  
Application 2052

Mr. Lewis J. Gaskin  
Laurel Springs Christmas Tree Farm, LLC  
Post Office Box 85  
Laurel Springs, North Carolina 28644-0085

Dear Mr. Gaskin:

Our investigation of your six STAA reasonable access route requests for Laurel Springs Christmas Tree Farm, LLC is complete.

At this time, we have found the following two routes to be acceptable by traffic engineering standards and hereby grant approval for your firm to run STAA dimensioned vehicles along these routes. The approved routes are described as follows:

- STAA Reasonable Access Route Application Number 2052-1: US 21 from I-77 in Surry County, northward through Wilkes County into Alleghany County to SR 1172 (Grandview Drive) in Sparta, then south on SR 1172 to SR 1206 (North Sparta Parkway), then north on SR 1206 to NC 18, then west on NC 18 to Laurel Springs Christmas Tree Farm loading area. Also includes SR 1138 (C. C. Camp Road) from I-77 in Surry County, westbound to US 21 Bypass (access to US 21 Bypass from southbound I-77.)
- STAA Reasonable Access Route Application Number 2052-2: US 21 from I-77 in Surry County, northward through Wilkes County into Alleghany County to SR 1172 (Grandview Drive) in Sparta, then south on SR 1172 to SR 1206 (North Sparta Parkway), then north on SR 1206 to NC 18, then west on NC 18 to SR 1149 (Doughton Mountain Road), then north on SR 1149 to Laurel Springs Christmas Tree Farm loading area. Also includes SR 1138 (C. C. Camp Road) from I-77 in Surry County, westbound to US 21 Bypass (access to US 21 Bypass from southbound I-77.)

All weight limits that may exist on these routes must be observed.

Route numbers 2052-3 and 2052-4 (shown below) were withdrawn from consideration by Mrs. Patsy Gaskin on December 14, 1998. Route numbers 2052-5 and 2052-6 are not approved due to being routed through downtown Wilkesboro and North Wilkesboro which would require a number of right angle turns.

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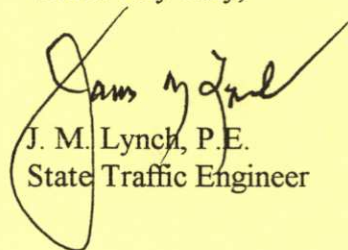
Therefore, the following routes are not approved.

- STAA Reasonable Access Route Application Number 2052-3: NC 93 from the Virginia/North Carolina State line south to NC 113, then south along NC 113 to NC 18, then east along NC 18 to SR 1149, then north along SR 1149 to the Laurel Springs Christmas Tree Farm loading area in Alleghany County.
- STAA Reasonable Access Route Application Number 2052-4: NC 93 from the Virginia/North Carolina State line south to NC 113, then south along NC 113 to NC 18, then east along NC 18 to the Laurel Springs Christmas Tree Farm loading area in Alleghany County.
- STAA Reasonable Access Route Application Number 2052-5: NC 18 from US 421 in Wilkesboro, Wilkes County, north through North Wilkesboro and into Alleghany County to the Laurel Springs Christmas Tree Farm loading area.
- STAA Reasonable Access Route Application Number 2052-6: NC 18 from US 421 in Wilkesboro, Wilkes County, north through North Wilkesboro and into Alleghany County to SR 1149, then north along SR 1149 to the Laurel Springs Christmas Tree Farm loading area.

An alternate route for future consideration by Laurel Springs Christmas Tree Farm could follow US 421 Business/NC 115 from US 421 to NC 18 and then north along NC 18. If desired, Laurel Springs Christmas Tree Farm may reapply for this alternate route and an engineering investigation will be performed.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Yours very truly,



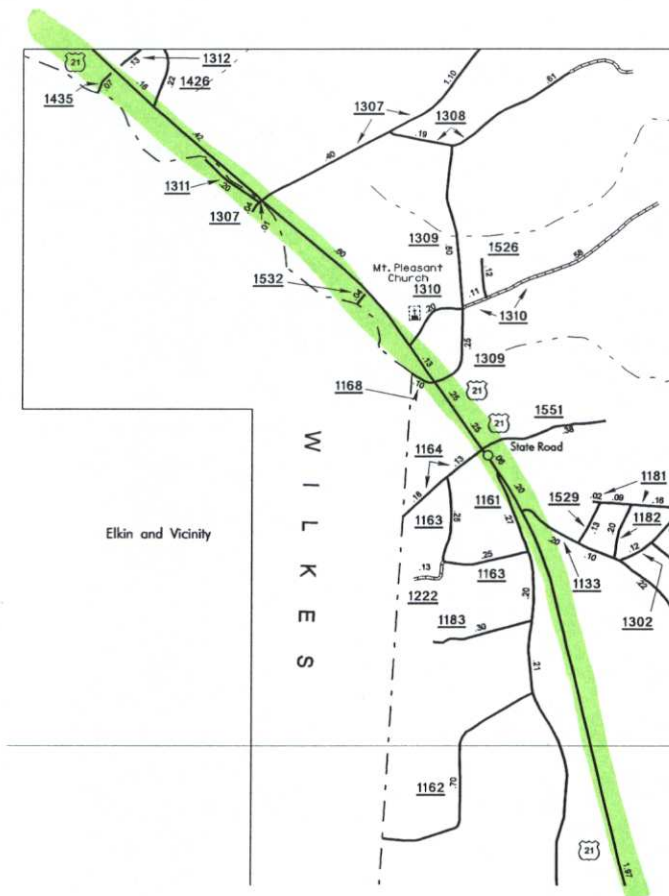
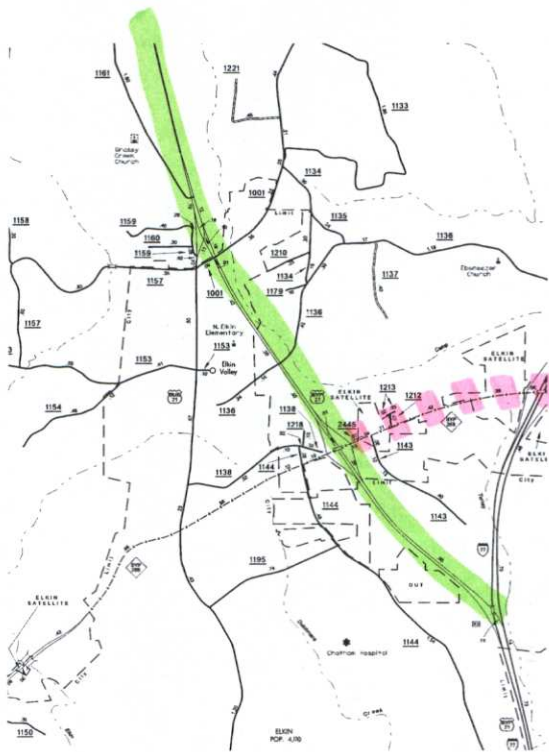
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State Traffic Engineer

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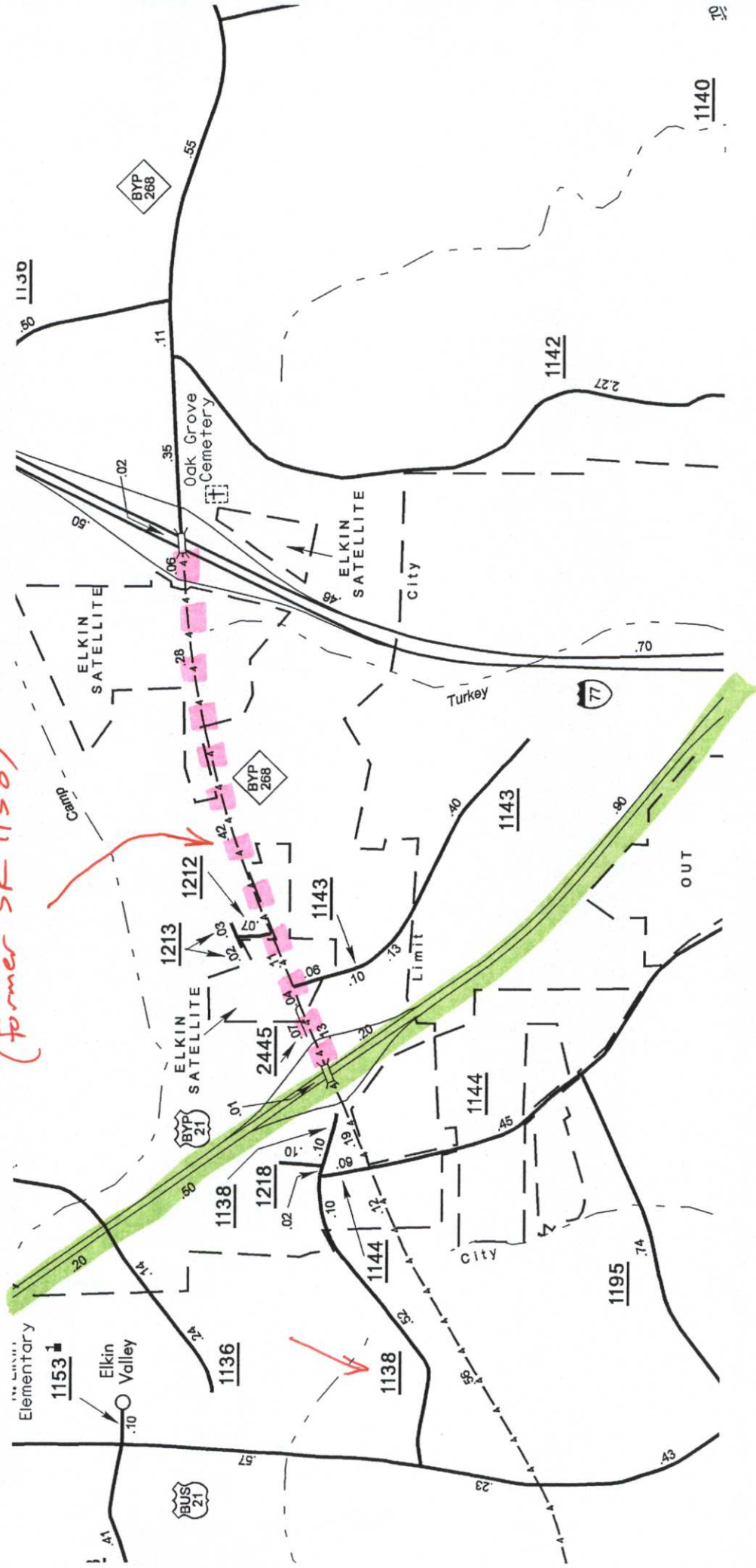


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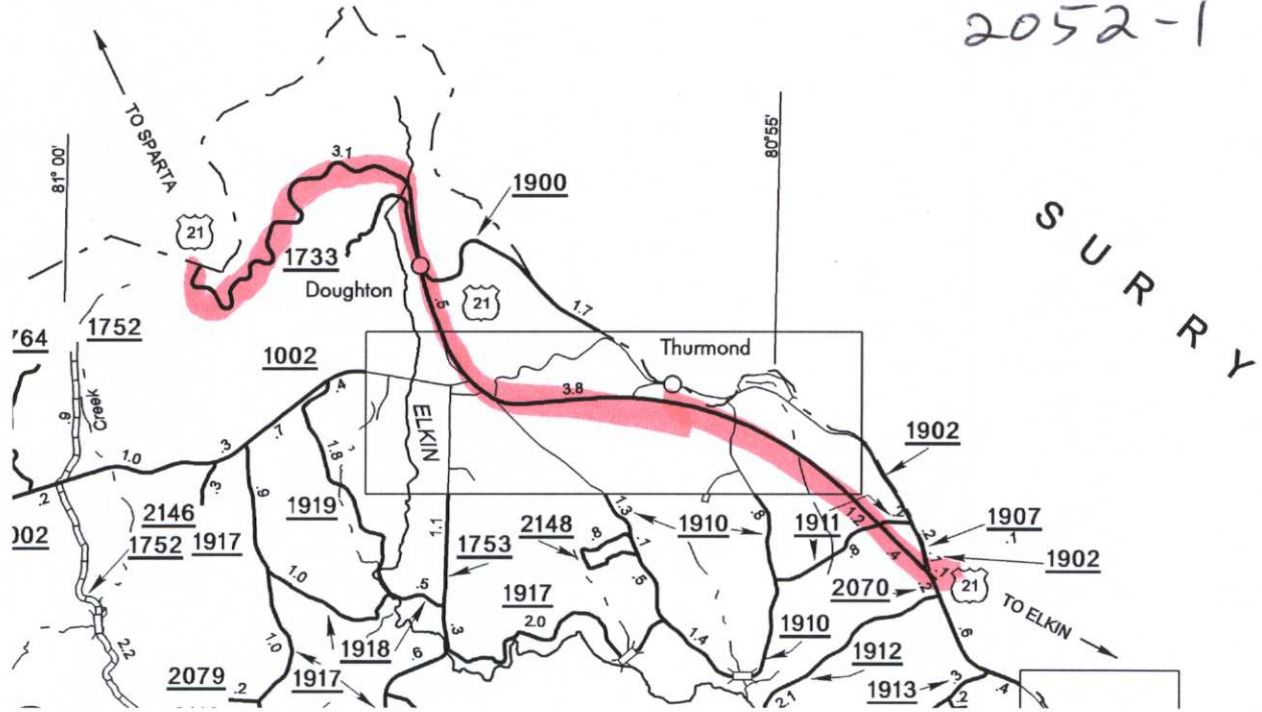
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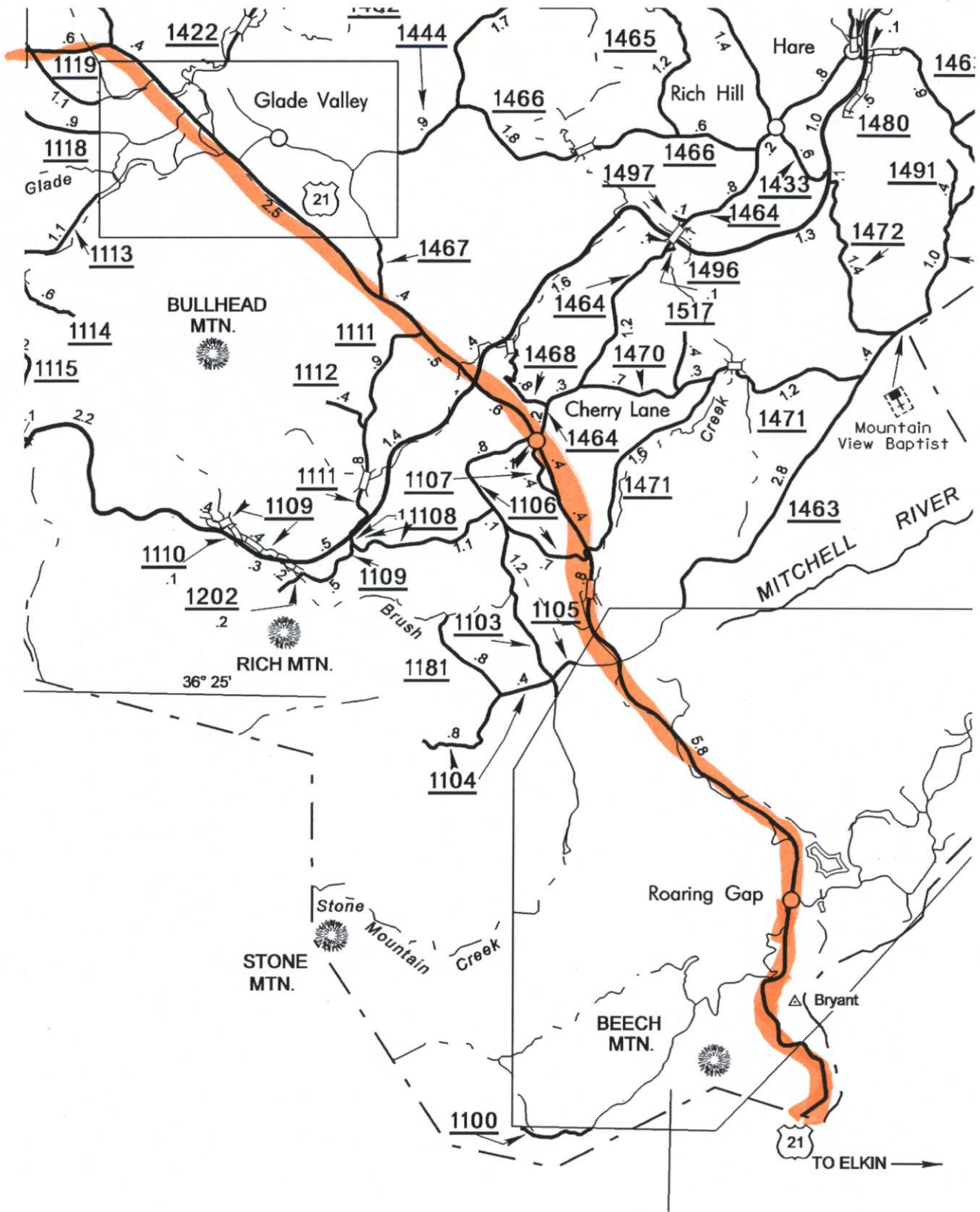


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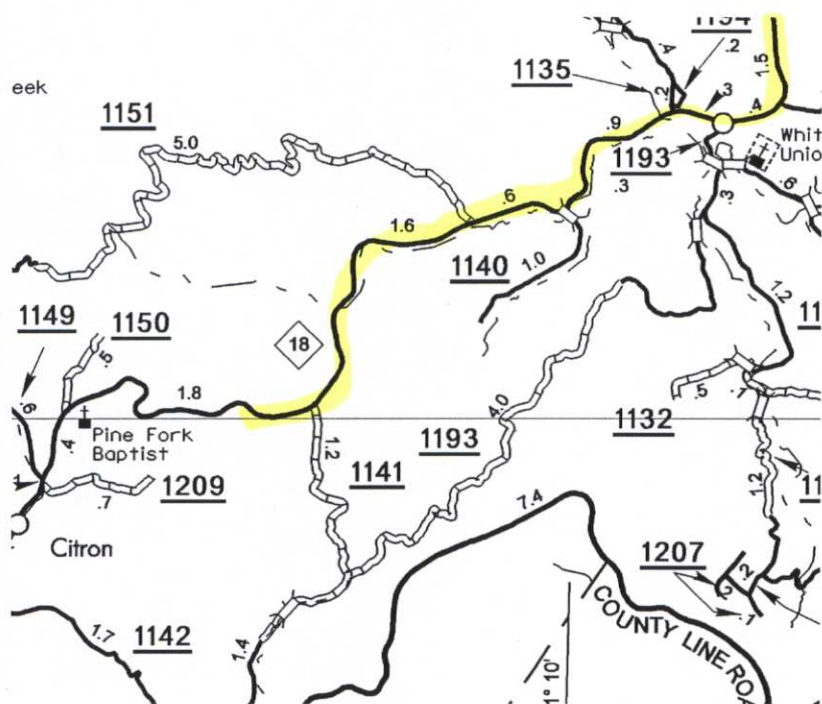
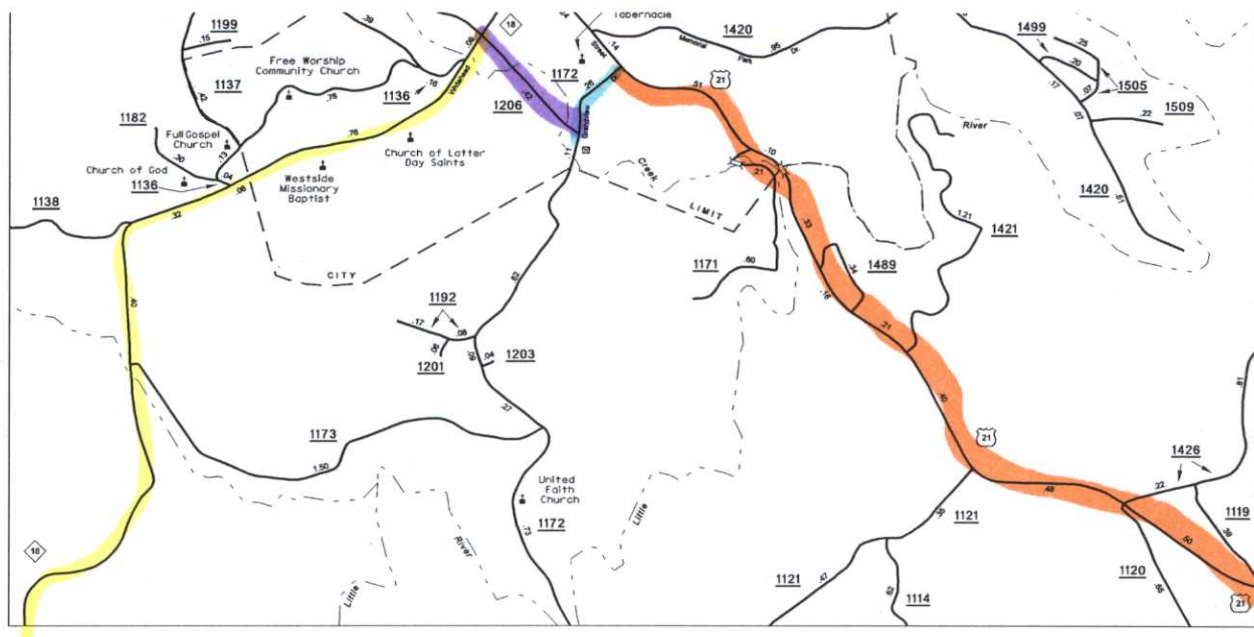
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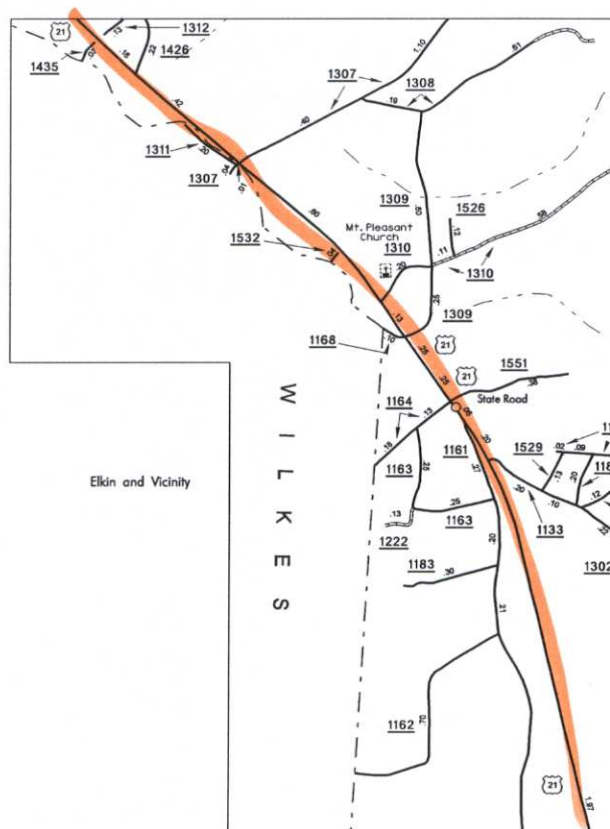
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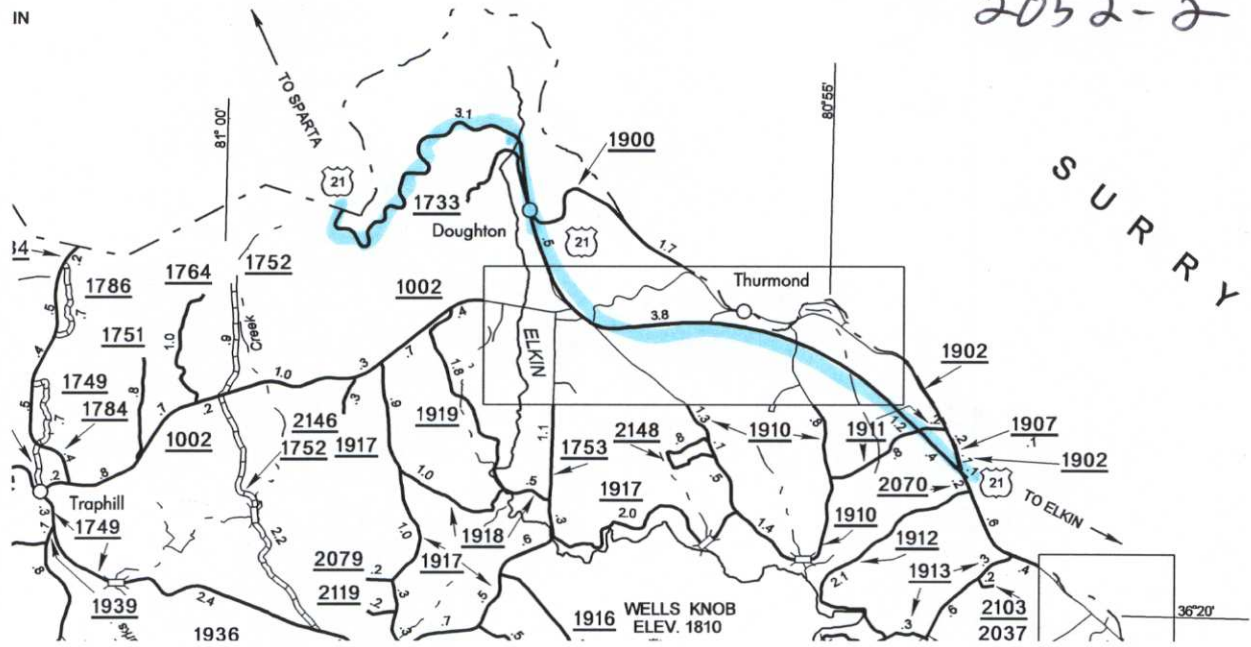
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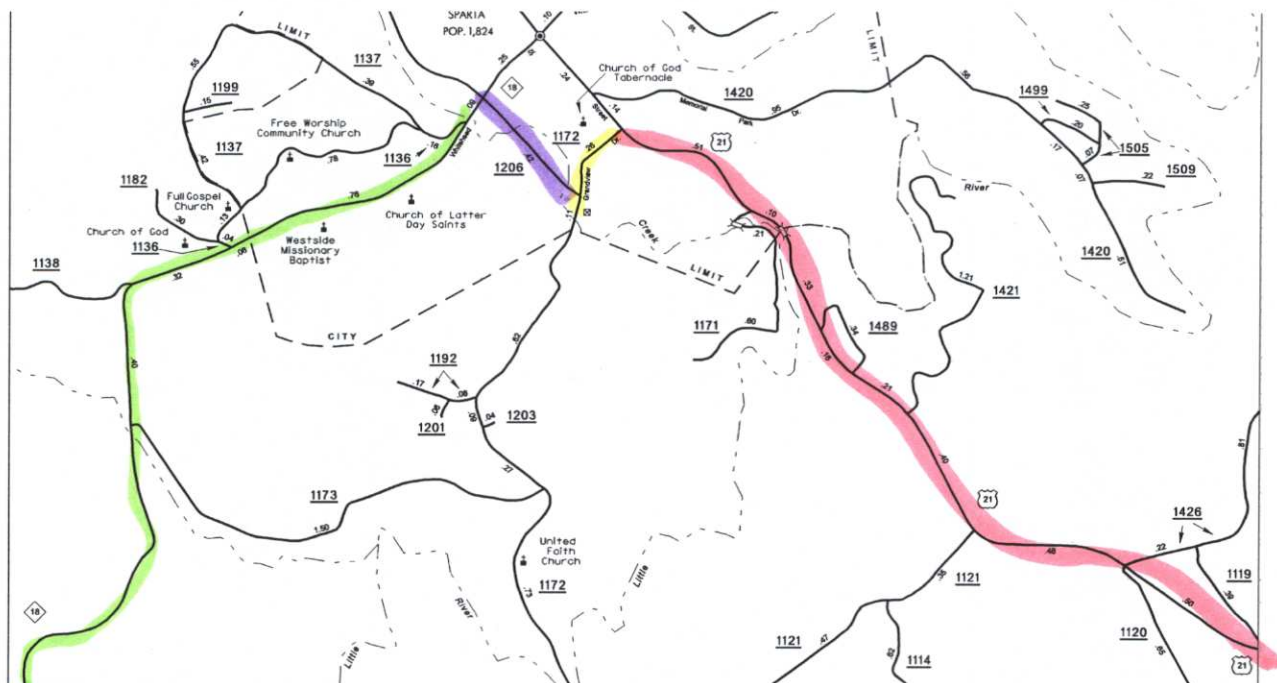




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